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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
Norio MAEDA et al : Patent Art Unit: 3749  
Serial No. 09/889,484 : Examiner: Kathryn S. O'Malley  
Filed: December 20, 2001 :  
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR :  
DRYING SUBSTRATE :

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Sir:  
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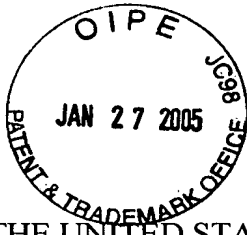
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the August 12, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 7-10 and 15-17 are pending, with claims 7, 8 and 15 being the only independent claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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